

Response Under 37 CFR 1.116
Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 11047

Patents STK-071

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

David C. Rueger, et al.

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Title

IMPROVED OSTEOGENIC DEVICES AND METHODS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

New York, New York October 10, 2000

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed <u>April 10, 2000</u> in which the rejection of claims <u>1-25, 31-33, 35</u> and 36 was made final.

A three-month extension of time to respond to the final rejection is requested. A check in the amount of \$445.00 in payment of the extension fee is transmitted herewith.

A check in the amount of \$155.00 in payment of the appeal fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Notice of Appeal is enclosed.

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